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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 312

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Arlington, VA 22313-1450

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Dear Sirs:

A Notice of Allowance has issued in connection with the above-identified application on May 18, 2006. The Notice of Allowability attached to the Notice of Allowance indicates that changes and/or additions unacceptable to applicant should be filed under 37 CFR 1.312. Accordingly, this Rule 312 amendment is being filed to clarify a misinterpretation of claim 2 that may develop as a result of the Examiner's Amendment, and to amend claims 1 and 5 to improve their clarity.

Applicant hereby authorizes deduction of any necessary fees in connection with this matter from Deposit Account No. 503814.

Please amend the application as follows.